





#### Week 43 פרשת שמיני / Parashat Shmini

Magen Avot is a new Shul and community supported by Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis and the United Synagogue. Our inaugural service took place nearly ten months ago.

#### **Purim Thanks!**

Thanks to everyone who made our first Purim so special. Specific thanks to Megilla readers, Joey Joseph and Ian Gamse, and to our sponsors of food and hot drinks. We are also grateful to those who supported our additional services over Purim. We are pleased to announce that £1,071.69 was collected for Matanot La'evyonim which was distributed on the day. Purim pictures can be viewed on our Facebook page.

#### **Purimagical Event**

Purimagical! took place in Ner Yisrael on Sunday 20 March. We were treated to an outstanding performance by internationally famous Master Magician Nicholas Einhorn along with great food and drink and ten raffle prizes. Magen Avot was proud to partner with Ner Yisrael and their Peace of Mind Project. We would like to single out organiser, Julia Greenberg, and thank her for so expertly organising this event. Rabbi Zobin's email after the event reflected all our thoughts: "The combination of Tzedaka, and providing such lovely opportunity for the communities to get together in such an enjoyable way is invaluable. Thank you everyone who contributed, supported, arranged and made it. Everyone there agreed and went out of their way to express what a fantastic evening it was. Everything ran smoothly and every detail was organised efficiently, led so professionally by Julia, Melanie and Rachel. Our thanks go to your team for running such a superb evening with such a warm and friendly atmosphere. Every bit of the evening was so good, everyone commented on how much they enjoyed it, it was lovely to mix the communities, Nick E was truly amazing, it all looked fun and Purimy, food went down very well served by your team of young helpers who were very professional, I can't praise everything enough. Not just a success for POM but also for all our communities. Estimates on how much we raised suggest over £5000!".

#### **Knead to Learn**

Knead to Learn will meet on Thursday 7 April to make the "Last Chance Challah". Start time is 7:45pm and a Shiur given by Lindsay Simmonds will be from 8:30pm to 9:00pm with a planned finish of 9:30pm. The cost will be £5 (cash - pay at the door). Booking is essential to reserve a place as space will be limited to a maximum of 20 people. This session will take place at the home of Family Clif, 21 Manor Hall Avenue, Hendon. To reserve your place please email events@magenavot.com.

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Lighting	Shabbat begins at <b>7:19pm</b>
Location	Marquee in the garden of 37 Downage
Chabura	Rabbi Martin Taubman at <b>9:00am</b>
Leining	David Kass
Children	Magen Minis/Maxis at <b>10:45am</b> Magen Munchies is sponsored anonymously לעילוי נשמת דבורה בת שלום
Speaker	Rabbi Uri Debson (pre-Mussaf)
Speaker	Rabbi Martin Taubman (after Mincha)

#### **Shabbat Mevarachim Hachodesh**

The Month of Nissan will be blessed in Shul this Shabbat morning

This week's Kiddush is sponsored anonymously.

Month: Rosh Chodesh Nissan

Days: Shabbat 9 April

Kiddush

Days: B'yom Shabbat Kodesh

Announcement: The molad will occur on Thursday 7 April at 10:15am and 16 chalakim.

#### **Shabbat Shekalim**

When Parashat Shmini coincides with Shabbat Parah, we read the following Maftir:-

- Maftir: Numbers 19:1-22 (22 p'sukim)
- Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:16 36:38

#### **Donations and Sponsorship**

Please click the "Sponsorship" menu item at the top of the website where you will find a number of opportunities that you can choose to support. Thank you in advance for your participation.

#### **Facebook Page**

As part of letting the wider community know of the fantastic events that we run, please visit Magen Avot's Facebook page and 'like' the page. By liking our page, you will see our updates directly in your Facebook feed. You may see an event that interests you too!

#### **Kiddushim**

Why not sponsor a weekly Kiddush for £175 which includes hot cholent and kugel? Sushi can also be added for an additional charge. Please email kiddushim@magenavot.com.

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# **Knead to Learn**

## **April Session**

Magen Avot invite you to the **April** session in our series of monthly challah baking and learning evenings.

### **LAST CHANCE CHALLAH - before Pesach arrives!**

The session will be on Thursday 7th April at the home of Family Clif - 21 Manor Hall Avenue, Hendon.

7:45 - 8:30 Arrive and make dough

8:30 - 9:00 Shiur - Lindsay Simmonds

9:00 - 9:30 Shape dough and take home to bake

Cost is £5, pay at the door.

Reserve a place by Wed 6th April: events@magenavot.com Space is limited to 20 people.

